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LETTER

To the Director of the Patent and Trademark Office

Sir:

This application is a division of application Serial No. 09/901,016 (now patent 6,652,807) filed on July 10, 2001 which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/218,048 filed July 13, 2000.

The applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to consider the references of record in the parent case. Copies of Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO 1449 (Modified) (10 pages) and Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO 1449 (Modified) (2 pages) are attached.

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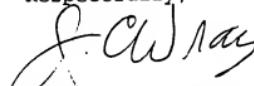
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